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## Wabash Plain Dealer's new office now open

The Wabash Plain Dealer's new office is now open on the second floor at 99 W. Canal St.

## Southwood to host robotics tournament Saturday

More than 300 elementary, middle and high school VEX Challenge students and mentors from around Wabash, Fort Wayne and Indianapolis will unite starting at 8 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 2 at Southwood Jr/Sr High School for the VEX Challenge tournament. Admission is free and open to the general public.

## Early voting begins at clerk's office

Early voting will be held from 8 a.m. to noon through Saturday, Nov. 2, and again on Monday, Nov. 4 in the Wabash County Clerks' office in the Wabash County Judicial Center, 69 W. Hill St.

## Early voting begins in North Manchester

Early voting in North Manchester will be held from 8 a.m. to noon Saturday, Nov. 2 at the Timbercrest Retirement Community, 2201 East St, North Manchester.

## LaFontaine's annual Small Town Expo planned

LaFontaine is hosting the ninth annual Small Town Expo from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 2 at the LaFontaine Community Building, 105 W. Branson St.

## Christ United Methodist Church to host Fall Festival

Christ United Methodist Church will be holding its annual Fall Festival from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 2 at 477 N. Wabash St. Among the items for sale are homemade noodles, homemade toffee and other baked goods, soups and Sloppy Joes. There will be over 20 local craftspeople and vendors. Continental breakfast items will be available until 10:30 a.m. and a \$5 light lunch will be served from 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. There will also be chances sold on two different raffle baskets worth \$50 each.

## Honeywell Center to host photography show reception

A public reception will take place at the Honeywell Center Clark Gallery at 7 p.m. Monday, Nov. 4. Please RSVP to Michele Hughes at mhughes@honeywellcenter.org or to the Honeywell Center Box

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# Don't forget to vote on Tuesday

## Contested races in Wabash and North Manchester

BY ROB BURGESS  
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With only three contested races in Wabash County, the 2019 municipal election figures look to be light.

In a phone interview Friday, Lori Draper, Wabash County clerk, said during early voting at her office there had been a total of 76 voters.

She said in North Manchester there had been 25 voters there that morning at Peabody Retirement

Community, and 68 voters at Timbercrest Retirement Community, 2201 East St, North Manchester, the previous Saturday.

Early voting in North Manchester will be held from 8 a.m. to noon Saturday, Nov. 2 at Timbercrest Retirement Community.

Early voting in Wabash will be held from 8 a.m. to noon Saturday, Nov. 2, and Monday, Nov. 4 in the Wabash County Clerks' office in the Wabash County Judicial Center, 69 W. Hill St.

### Vote centers

On Election Day, the vote centers will be open. Any

registered voters living in the city of Wabash or town of North Manchester may vote at any of these locations:

■ First United Methodist Church, 110 N. Cass St.

■ North Manchester Public Library, 405 N. Market St., North Manchester.

■ Timbercrest Retirement Community, 2201 East St., North Manchester.

■ Wellbrooke of Wabash, 20 N. John Kissinger Drive.

■ Zion Lutheran Church, 175 Hale Drive.

"The change to Timbercrest Retirement Community is in preparation for next year's federal election. We are expecting large turnouts

next year and plan to add a day of early voting in North Manchester to help reduce the wait time to vote," stated Draper.

### Candidates on the ballot

In July, the clerk's office finalized the list of candidates who will appear on the municipal election ballot:

Mayor Wabash  
Scott A. Long (R)

Wabash City Clerk-Treasurer  
Wendy Frazier (D)

Wabash City Judge  
Timothy A. Roberts (R)

Wabash City Common Council District 1  
Mitch Figert (R)

Wabash City Common Council District 2

David W. Monroe (R)

Wabash City Common Council District 3

Terry Brewer Jr. (R)

Wabash City Common Council District 4

Susan Bonfitto (R)

Wabash City Common Council District 5

Doug Adams (R)

Wabash City Common Council At Large

John S. Burnsworth (R)

Bryan Dillon (R)

Dan Townsend (D)

North Manchester Town Clerk-Treasurer

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# Tales of survival



PHOTOS BY ROB BURGESS / Plain Dealer

**EXPERIMENT:** Carter Miller, 10, tests the viscosity of various materials Monday at the Wabash Carnegie Public Library's monthly "I Survived" event.

## Monthly event explores the Great Molasses Flood at the WCPL

BY ROB BURGESS  
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On Monday evening at the Wabash Carnegie Public Library (WCPL), Polly Howell, youth services librarian, pointed at the screen next to her showing the aftermath of the Great Molasses Flood.

The program was part of the WCPL's monthly "I Survived" club. That month's program was based on a novel which was just published in September, "I Survived The Great Molasses Flood, 1919." This was the 19th entry in the New York Times best-selling series, "I Survived."

"There were warning signs that the molasses tank would break. The steel sides moaned and groaned. Molasses oozed from its seams. But the people of Boston's North End – mostly poor immigrants – were powerless to complain to the big molasses company," stated the book's publisher, Scholastic. "On a bright January day in 1919,

the tank finally broke and almost three million gallons of molasses rushed the neighborhood. At 15 feet tall, 160 feet wide, and traveling at

35 miles per hour, the gooey wave was more destructive than any flood of water would have been. Lauren Tarshis tells the riveting story of one

child who was swept up in the sticky storm and lived to tell the tale."

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**FLOOD:** Polly Howell, youth services librarian, points at the screen next to her showing the aftermath of the Great Molasses Flood.

# With temperatures dropping, ISP offers drivers road safety tips

### Staff Report

It's that time of year when the snow and ice are going to affect the road conditions and the Indiana State Police (ISP) would like to remind those traveling the roadways of a few safety tips to help your vehicles from sliding.

Prior to pulling out of the driveway, make sure to clear all windows of ice, snow, or debris. To maximize the traction a vehicle will have with the surface of the road, check the tire pressure to

ensure that they are inflated to the manufacturers' recommendations. Leaving extra time and heading to a destination earlier than you normal do is also recommended.

Adjusting speeds to fit the road conditions is one of the most important actions drivers can take to keep themselves and those around them safer. Slowing down to below the speed limit is encouraged when the roads become snow and/or

ice-covered. Also, it is advised to create distance between vehicles, which will create more stopping distance in cases where sudden braking is needed.

By using these tips and a little common sense, drivers can decrease their chances of becoming one of many that will be involved in a fender bender during these cold months.

For up-to-date road and weather information, motorists are encouraged to tune

to local television and/or radio stations. Another source of information is the National Weather Service; this link <http://www.crh.noaa.gov/ind/> will take visitors directly to the current Indiana weather information.

Motorists may also contact the Indiana Department of Transportation Road and Weather line at 800-261-7623 or visit the Indiana Department of Transportation website at [www.traffic.wise.in.gov](http://www.traffic.wise.in.gov).

## 'Johnny Got His Gun' brings horror of war to Manchester

Film screening followed by panel discussion planned for Nov. 21

By Anne Gregory

You are 19 and an artillery shell destroys your arms, legs and face. You wake up in a hospital bed with your intellect intact but stripped of your hopes and dreams.

"Johnny Got His Gun" takes us inside the mind of Joe Bonham in the 1970s film that is based on a novel of the same name by Dalton Trumbo. The antiwar book was inspired by a real case from World War I.

Manchester University will show the film at 7 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 21 in Cordier Auditorium, followed by a panel that will reflect upon the historical significance of the film and answer questions. The presentation is free and open to the public.

Panelists include students Hannah Lawing and Chris

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## Banner contest awards and reception planned

Honeywell Center to host annual event Nov. 20

### Staff Report

The 16th Annual Wabash County Winter Banner Competition awards ceremony will take place at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 20 at the Honeywell Center's Ford Theater, according to a press release.

A reception in the main lobby will follow. The awards ceremony honors the Wabash County students who participated in this year's contest. Funding for this event is provided by the Robert and Peggy McCallen Banner Contest Endowment.

The students' artwork will hang in the Clark Gallery at the Honeywell Center from Saturday, Nov. 9 through Sunday, Dec. 1. Winning banners will be hung on the poles around the Honeywell

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# Google buys Fitbit for \$2.1B, stepping back into wearables

BY MICHELLE CHAPMAN and MATT O'BRIEN  
AP Business Writers

Google is buying Fitbit for about \$2.1 billion, enabling the internet company to step back into the hotly contested market for smartwatches and health trackers.

Fitbit is a pioneer in wearable fitness technology, but it's been shredded by that competition. Google, meanwhile, has been developing Wear OS software for other manufacturers to build wearable devices, but they haven't gained much traction in the face of competition from Fitbit, Apple, Samsung and others.

The deal to buy Fitbit could give Google a needed boost. "Google doesn't want to be left out of the party," said analyst Daniel Ives of Wedbush Securities. "If you look at what Apple has done with wearables, it's a missing piece of the puzzle for Google."

Fitbit makes a range of devices, from basic trackers that mostly count steps to smartwatches that can display messages and notifications from phones.

They can track a range of fitness activities, such as running, cycling and swimming, along with heart rates and nightly sleep patterns. Fitbit typically asks for date of birth, gender, height and weight to help with calorie

and other calculations. Some users also use Fitbit devices and its app to track food and water intake. Women can also track their periods.

Google said it won't sell ads using the sensitive health data that Fitbit devices collect, continuing promises made by Fitbit.

But that likely stop Google from sucking up other personal data from Fitbit devices. Fitbit also has GPS models that could track users' locations. That could help Google know that a runner stopped at a coffee shop on the way back, allowing Google to then display ads for rival coffee shops.

More importantly, having a Google device on the wrist could drive its wearers to use Google services even more – giving Google more ways to collect data and sell ads.

Matt Stoller of the Open Markets Institute, a research group that focuses on competition and consolidation, said health care is one of the few industries big enough to help a company as large as Google keep growing.

The deal is expected to close next year if approved by regulators and Fitbit shareholders. Ives said it will likely face additional scrutiny as federal antitrust enforcers, Congress and state attorneys general have launched broad investigations into the market dominance of Google and

other major tech companies.

Google's announcement suggests that Fitbit will be absorbed into Google's main business, rather than staying as an independent subsidiary of parent company Alphabet. That follows the trend of smart home device maker Nest, which was folded back into Google in 2018 after being a stand-alone company under Alphabet.

Fitbit has 28 million active users worldwide and has sold more than 100 million devices.

Its market capitalization soared to just under \$10 billion after becoming a public company in 2015. But its value this week is well below \$2 billion. When rumors of a potential buyout by Google surfaced earlier this week, Fitbit shares soared almost 30 percent. The stock jumped another 15 percent in morning trading Friday.

Alphabet said it will pay \$7.35 per share for the company, which were trading at \$7.20 each after the deal was announced. Alphabet shares gained less than 1 percent in morning trading.

"With Google's resources and global platform, Fitbit will be able to accelerate innovation in the wearables category, scale faster, and make health even more accessible to everyone," Fitbit co-founder and CEO James Park said in a statement.

## VOTE

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Carrie Mugford (R)  
North Manchester Town Council Member, District 1 (At Large)

Laura Rager (R)  
Kevin Shambarger (I)  
North Manchester Town Council Member, District 2 (Chester 6)

James W. (Jim) Smith  
North Manchester Town Council Member, District 3 (Chester 3)

Tom Dale (R)  
Michael J. Larson (I)  
North Manchester Town Council Member, District 4 (Chester 4)

Allen Miracle (D)  
North Manchester Town Council Member, District 5 (Chester 5)  
Chalmer "Toby" Tobias III (R)

### BMV schedules extra hours for Election Day

The Indiana Bureau of Motor Vehicles (BMV) announced most branches will extend hours of operation on Monday, Nov. 4 and Tuesday, Nov. 5, according to a press release.

Branches in counties holding elections in the November general election will be open to issue ID cards and driver's licenses to be used for identification at a polling place. Branches hours on Monday, Nov. 4, will be from 8:30 a.m. to 8 p.m., and on Tuesday, Nov. 5 from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m.

The Wabash BMV branch is located at 1679 Cass St.

The following branches do not have scheduled elections in their counties and will be closed on Monday and Tuesday of election week: Fowler, LaGrange, Rockville and Loogootee.

Branches in Morocco and Williamsport will be open for normal hours and operations on Monday, Nov. 4, but will be closed for the Election Day holiday on Tuesday, Nov. 5.

As required by state law, branches with extended hours will only process new, amended, or replacement ID cards, and renewed, amended, or replacement driver's licenses and learner permits. New driver's licenses and learner permits will only be processed provided the cus-

tomers has previously completed all required testing. Customers who are required to take a knowledge or driving skills exam to obtain or renew a license may choose to apply for a free ID card to use for voting purposes.

Individuals who hold a driver's license or ID card that expired after the last general election may use the expired card as proof of identification for voting purposes. The paper interim credential issued at the license branch at the time of the transaction or after a customer has completed an internet credential transaction is also acceptable proof of identification for voting purposes.

The Indiana BMV provides free, state-issued ID cards for voting purposes to any unlicensed Hoosier who is a U.S. citizen, who can provide proper documentation, and who will be at least 18 years of age on or before the next general or municipal election. The following

documents are required to obtain a new state ID card or driver's license.

■ Proof of Identity document, such as a birth certificate or passport.

■ Proof of Social Security document, such as a Social Security card, pay stub, or W-2.

■ Proof of lawful status, such as a birth certificate or passport.

■ Proof of residency, two documents such as a voter registration card, utility bill or bank statement.

If your name has been legally changed and now differs from your identity document(s) (i.e., birth certificate or passport), proof of name change must be provided to obtain a state ID or driver's license.

A complete list of documents required to obtain a new state ID card or driver's license can also be found at IN.gov/BMV.

All branches will resume regular business hours on Wednesday, Nov. 6.



**Showtimes for Friday, November 1– Thursday, November 7**  
*All showtimes have Closed Captioning available.*

<b>Arctic Dogs (PG)</b> Fri: 7:10, 9:25 Sat: 1:15, 4:25, 7:10, 9:25 Sun: 1:15, 4:25, 7:10 Mon- Thurs: 7:10	<b>Maleficent: Mistress of Evil in 2D (PG)</b> Fri: 6:30, 9:15 Sat: 12:55, 3:45, 6:30, 9:15 Sun: 12:55, 3:45, 6:30 Mon- Thurs: 6:30	<b>The Addams Family in 2D (PG)</b> Fri: 6:50, 9:35 Sat: 1:45, 4:15, 6:50, 9:35 Sun: 1:45, 4:15, 6:50 Mon- Thurs: 6:50
<b>Terminator: Dark Fate (R)</b> Fri: 6:40, 9:45 Sat: 1:05, 3:55, 6:40, 9:45 Sun: 1:05, 3:55, 6:40 Mon- Thurs: 6:40	<b>Zombieland: Double Tap (R)</b> Fri: 7:00, 9:55 Sat: 1:35, 4:05, 7:00, 9:55 Sun: 1:35, 4:05, 7:00 Mon- Thurs: 7:00	

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### 5-Day Weather Summary

 <p><b>Saturday</b> Mostly Cloudy 39 / 29</p>	 <p><b>Sunday</b> Mostly Cloudy 47 / 38</p>	 <p><b>Monday</b> Mostly Cloudy 45 / 39</p>	 <p><b>Tuesday</b> Mostly Cloudy 44 / 31</p>	 <p><b>Wednesday</b> Mostly Cloudy 40 / 29</p>
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#### Sun and Moon

Today's sunset ..... 6:43 p.m.  
Tomorrow's sunrise ..... 7:20 a.m.

 <p>First 11/4</p>	 <p>Full 11/12</p>	 <p>Last 11/19</p>	 <p>New 11/26</p>
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#### Detailed Local Outlook

Today we will see mostly cloudy skies, high of 39°, humidity of 80%. West southwest wind 7 to 16 mph. Expect mostly cloudy skies tonight, overnight low of 29°. West southwest wind 6 to 15 mph. The wind chill for tonight could reach 21°. Sunday, skies will be mostly cloudy, high of 47°, humidity of 60%.

# Formerly successful woman feels like a failure

**DEAR HARRIETTE:** I used to be well-known back in the day when I was at the top of my career. Now I can barely make ends meet. I feel like such a failure.

I am embarrassed to ask for help. I was a celebrity in my hometown, but now I am nothing – just a woman with a reputation of what I used to be but with nothing going for me now. How can I turn the page and change how I'm thinking so that I can have the courage to go out and get a job? I would do just about anything right now. I do not want to lose my apartment. – What To Do?

**DEAR WHAT TO DO?:** Let go of the past and how you were once regarded. Evaluate your skill set. What are you good at doing? Think of specific skills and talents that you have. Now consider what it was about you that made you the local "celebrity."

Are you good with people? Could you be a successful hostess at a restaurant? A group leader at a retirement home? What about a sales role in the elder space? In this case, you may be able to use your local celebrity to inspire people to trust you and, in turn, buy in to a condo community for seniors or another such environment. I mention the senior space because it is a growing demographic, and there's a good chance that this group of people may remember you fondly and feel comforted by your presence as they figure out this stage in their lives.

Most important is for you to believe that you are still a valuable member of society. Through that lens, look for a job that will pay you a fair wage and help you to be secure in your home.

**DEAR HARRIETTE:** I got my annual performance review, and it was not good. I knew that this past year was rough for me. We had a couple of new projects that I was assigned to manage, and they didn't go well.

### READERS' CHOICE REPORTS

#### THURSDAY'S LOTTERIES

Cash 5  
18-25-29-31-44  
Estimated jackpot: \$90,000  
Cash4Life  
18-25-28-41-47, Cash Ball: 3  
Daily Three-Midday  
0-7-9, SB: 2  
Daily Three-Evening  
2-2-1, SB: 2  
Daily Four-Midday  
0-4-0-2, SB: 2  
Daily Four-Evening  
6-8-0-7, SB: 2  
Mega Millions  
Estimated jackpot: \$118 million  
Powerball  
Estimated jackpot: \$150 million

#### FRIDAY'S METALS

Aluminum.....	0.79
Copper.....	2.63
Lead.....	1.00
Zinc.....	1.15
Gold.....	1508.30
Silver.....	18.04
Platinum.....	945.47

#### AREA GRAIN

Estimated grain prices  
Friday at Indianapolis-area elevators: Corn: \$4.17. Soybeans: \$9.02.

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'It's all history now'

One moment, John Ivory was a day laborer digging just west of Wabash Street in the alley that runs east and west between Market and Canal streets. The next moment, he became an accidental archaeologist when his shovel struck a long-forgotten piece of Wabash history. It was September 1896, and Ivory was digging a trench for the city's new sewerage system when he unearthed a log. Nothing unusual about that, he thought as he cut it in two



Pete Jones

and tossed the pieces out of the trench. Along came two prominent Wabash businessmen, each of whom had a great interest in the history of our town. J.D. Conner and Thomas McNamee saw the log and noticed it was hollow, a relatively smooth hole running the entire length of the tree trunk. McNamee and Conner quizzed Ivory about his find and learned there were similar sections of log buried about five feet below the surface of the alleyway. Conner, a son-in-law of Hugh Hanna, the recognized co-founder of Wabash, identified the log as part of a water system connecting the spring at the old treaty

ground (now Paradise Spring Historical Park) with Hanna's house at the northwest corner of Wabash and Canal streets. Bill Wimberly picks up the story in his book, "Hanna's Town": "Conner and McNamee affirmed that Hanna had buried a line of such logs, end to end, from the spring at Treaty Ground to Hanna's Corner, where is provided fresh, running water. "This kind of wooden plumbing, in which the water flow was controlled by driving a sliding metal plate crosswise through a wooden pipe, had been used sparingly elsewhere since about 1800. "Hanna's experimenta-

tion with hydrology continued after he built a home on the bluff above the spring ... which spouted from a point partway up the steep incline. ... Just below the spring, he built a small shack over the running water where his wife, Elizabeth, cooled milk and butter. Below the shack, he constructed a trough for watering animals and made it available to the public ... " Wimberly goes on to describe how Hanna rigged a device that allowed him to bring buckets of water up the bluff with a system of pulleys and wires. The contraption delivered water to Hanna's backdoor. Sometime in the 1930s,

workers were digging along Huntington Street nearly due east of where John Ivory made his discovery some 40 years earlier. These men stumbled upon three logs, hollowed out and laid end-to-end. There was speculation that they were part of a system designed to transport water. It's likely that the logs discovered in the 1930s indeed came from Hanna's system, but by that time Ivory's find had been forgotten. On this day On this date in 1939, a Plain Dealer reporter inspected the first two homes nearing completion in Bonbrook, the

city's first new subdivision in many years. Morris S. Mossler, president of Wabash Homes, Incorporated, noted there were ten houses under construction in the newly platted area west of Bond Street and north of Stitt Street. Two years later, the still-growing development hit a major block with the beginning of World War II. Construction came to a sudden stop and did not resume until 1945 when the war ended. Pete Jones writes a weekly column on local history for the Wabash Plain Dealer. He writes about people, places and events in and around Wabash County. Contact him by mail at 1160 Sunset Drive, Wabash, IN 46992 or by email at peteinwabash@comcast.net.

FOUNDER'S DAY PARADE



ROYALTY: Pictured left to right are: Katie Jones, 3rd Runner-Up; Franny Schannep, Directors' Choice; Madison Millick, Indiana State Festival Queen; Danielle Sparling, Wabash County Festival Queen; Emily Martin, 4th Runner-Up; and Haley Porter, 2nd Runner-Up.



QUEEN: Danielle Sparling, Wabash County Festival Queen, right, waves during the parade.



VIEW: This is the view from the vehicle as the parade makes its way down the street.



WAVE: Sparling waves to the onlookers during the parade.



RIDE: The queen and her court ride down the street during the parade.



PARADE: The annual Wabash Founder's Day parade takes place Saturday, Sept. 21.



STATE: Millick rides by and waves during the parade.



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### Betty L. Nose

Nov. 7, 1947 - Oct. 31, 2019

Betty L. Nose, 71, of Fairmount died Thursday, Oct. 31, 2019, at Marion General Hospital.

Betty was born in Kokomo, Indiana on Nov. 7, 1947, daughter of the late James D. Hosier and Theda Alice (Bagley) Cole. She graduated from Southwood High School, class of 1966. Betty retired from Martin Yale Office Products of Wabash where she worked in production. She loved working crossword puzzles, spending time with her grandchildren and ghost hunting.

Betty is survived by 2 daughters, Kelly (Danny Harbin) Jackson, Knoxville, Tennessee, and Karen (Charlie) Armes, Jonesboro; sister, Patty (Randy) Miller, Wabash; 2 grandchildren, Alison (Joseph) Smith, Alexandria and Andruw (Alexis) Weiss, Jonesboro; 2 great-grandchildren, Wyatt



Smith and Neyland Weiss.

Betty was preceded in death by her parents and her brother David Hosier.

Private services are being handled by the Fairmount Chapel of Armes-Hunt Funeral Home and Cremation Services, 415 S. Main Street, Fairmount, Indiana.

Memories and condolences may be shared at [www.armeshuntfuneralhome.com](http://www.armeshuntfuneralhome.com)

### Evelyn Ann Owen-Wargo

Aug. 29, 1938 - Oct. 30, 2019

Evelyn Ann Owen-Wargo, 81, of Valparaiso, passed away peacefully at home, Wednesday, Oct. 30, 2019. She was born Aug. 29, 1938 in LaFontaine, Indiana to Charles and Inez (Sirk) Hall. Evelyn retired in 1996 from Gary Wirt High School, after teaching for over 30 years.

Evelyn is survived by her husband of over 20 years, Bruce W. Wargo; children, Brad (Joni) Owen, Cathy (Ken Gagne) Owen, and Dennis Wargo; grandson, Bradley Owen; sister, Esther (Ray) Terrel; sister-in-law, Alice Hall; and numerous nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents and siblings, Joseph, Willeta (Ernie), Dale (Mary), Art, and, Earl Hall.



Visitation will be Sunday, Nov. 3, 2019 from 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. CST at Moeller Funeral Home 104 Roosevelt Rd., Valparaiso, Indiana with a funeral service beginning at 2 p.m. CST.

Calling hours for friends and family will be from 3 - 7 p.m., on Tuesday, Nov. 5, 2019 at McDonald Funeral Home, LaFontaine Chapel, 104 S Main St., LaFontaine, Indiana 46940.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m., on Wednesday, Nov. 6, 2019 at McDonald Funeral Home, LaFontaine Chapel. Pastor Harold Smith will be the officiant. Burial will follow at Mount Etna Cemetery.

Online condolences may be sent to the family at [www.mcdonaldfunerals.com](http://www.mcdonaldfunerals.com)



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**VISCOSITY:** Ellie Miller, 8, tests the viscosity of various materials.



**THICK:** Cups of molasses are used as examples of how thick and sticky the disaster was.

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Howell showed a picture of the front of the book, showing an artist's rendering of the disaster.

"See all that molasses splashing around?" she said. "It flooded everything. It got dried onto things and they had to take a chisel and chisel it away because it got hardened. It knocked buildings down. It was a very expensive thing to clean up."

"And what it cost to make that," said Carter Miller, 10, who has read other books in "I Survived Series."

After showing a few more photos and a video, Howell brought out ketchup, honey, molasses and butterscotch and placed them on the plates in front of the children to test the viscosity of each.

"Imagine if you were underneath molasses. What would that be like?" she said. "It's sticky. I think it went everywhere. It crushed vehicles and buildings. ... It's such an interesting event."

"And a sad story," said Laura Jo Miller, 5.

Howell said she enjoyed reading the "I Survived" books even as an adult.

"It just brings it to life," she said.

## Woman gets 6 years for dousing guest with hot grease

MUNCIE (AP) — A central Indiana woman who pleaded guilty to dousing a house guest with a pan of hot grease has been sentenced to six years in prison. Twenty-four-year-old Mykael Dauna Holloway

of Muncie was sentenced Thursday in the July 2017 attack that left another woman with severe burns. Police found the victim on the grass outside Holloway's home screaming in pain.

The victim, whose most severe burns were on her back, told investigators she had known Holloway since they were in elementary school and she had been staying at Holloway's home during a visit.

She told police that Holloway threw the grease on her after accusing her of stealing deodorant.

The Star Press reports that Holloway had pleaded guilty to aggravated battery and possession of cocaine.

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Office at 260-563-1102.

Student matinee musical performances scheduled

The Honeywell Foundation's Educational Outreach Program is presenting two student matinee musical performances of "Judy Moody & Stink" at 10 a.m. and noon Wednesday, Nov. 6 at Ford Theater. Tickets to see "Judy Moody & Stink" are \$10 for the public, \$6 per student for schools, with one free adult ticket for every 10 students. For more information, please contact the Honeywell Center Box Office at 260-563-1102.

### Author to share stories Nov. 6 at WCPL

The Wabash Carnegie Public Library (WCPL) will host author Kayleen Reusser at 6 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 6 in the library's program room. Reusser will share stories from her new book, "It Was Our War Too: Youth in the Shadows of WWII." Autographed copies of the book will be available for sale. Register by calling 260-563-2972 or visiting [www.wabash.lib.in.us/events/calendar](http://www.wabash.lib.in.us/events/calendar).

### Downtown businesses to extend hours on select dates

Participating shops will be open until 7 p.m. on the following dates: Nov. 8, 15, 17, 23, 24, 29 and 30. Dec. 6, 7, 12, 14, 15, 18, 19, 20 and 21.

### VFW to host breakfast on Nov. 9

VFW Post #286 Wabash will be hosting a breakfast beginning at 8 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 9. All veterans eat free. Open to the public. Come join us as we honor our Veterans. Look for us at local businesses all weekend with our annual Poppy Drive, too.

### VFW to host Veterans Day weekend concert

VFW Post #286 Wabash will host a concert from 8 p.m. to midnight Saturday, Nov. 9. Come honor and support our veterans and enjoy music by The Prime Suspects. Food, raffles, cold drinks, rock 'n' roll music and more will be available.

### Holiday Bazaar planned for Saturday, Nov. 9

Zion Lutheran Church is planning a Holiday Bazaar from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Sat-

urday, Nov. 9 at 173 Hale Drive. Decorations, crafts, raffle, noodles, gift items, baked items and candy will be available.

### Woman's Clubhouse plans November luncheon

The Woman's Clubhouse will host the monthly luncheon at noon Tuesday, Nov. 12. They will welcome Rick Elliott and Bob Brown for an afternoon of show-tunes and a little pre-Holiday sing-a-long. Make your reservations with Carol McDonald, 260-563-2331 or Mary Delauter, 260-563-6613 by Saturday, Nov. 9.

### North Manchester native speaks on modeling career

The North Manchester Historical Society (NMHS) will welcome home Murph Damron at 6:30 p.m. Monday, Nov. 11 in the Assembly Room at Timbercrest Retirement Center, 2201 East St. It is open to the public at no cost and will be enjoyable for audiences of all ages.

### Contemporary music for solo piano performance at Manchester

The Manchester University Department of Music presents a solo piano recital by guest artist Martin Jones at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 12 in Wine Recital Hall. It is free and open to the public.

### Honeywell House presents 'An American in China'

The Honeywell House welcomes Elizabeth Myers Macinata to present "An American in China During World War II," at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 12 at 720 N. Wabash St. This event is free and open to the public. Reservations are encouraged, as seating is limited. Please visit [www.HoneywellHouse.org](http://www.HoneywellHouse.org) or call the Box Office at 260-563-1102 for more information.

### Tippecanoe Audubon Society to present endangered birds program

The Tippecanoe Audubon Society will present a program by Matt Williams, author of the recent book, "Endangered and Disappearing Birds of the Midwest," at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 12 at Manchester University. The program will be given

in the Jo Young Switzer Center (Student Union), Speicher Room (second floor). Dinner will be available at 6 p.m. for \$15. For further information or to make a dinner reservation, call Dave Hicks at 260-982-2471 or email [djhicks@manchester.edu](mailto:djhicks@manchester.edu).

### Program at Manchester offers skills to deal with conflict

The hour-long program is 3:30 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 12 at the upper level of the Jo Young Switzer Center on the North Manchester campus. It is free and open to the public.

### Frances Slocum Chapter of the DAR to meet

Wabash County Frances Slocum Chapter, INDAR will meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 12, at the Grandstaff Hentgen Activity Room, 1241 Manchester Ave. The program will be given by retired U.S. National Guard Army veteran, Helen Hile. Prospective members and guests are always welcome to attend. DAR membership is open to any woman 18 years of age, who can prove lineal descent from a patriot of the American Revolution. Those having questions about their family history lineage information may visit [www.dar.org](http://www.dar.org) or call Linda Thompson at 260-563-4661 or Barbara Amis at 260-982-4376.

### Kokomo day trip planned for next month

The North Manchester Historical Society and Shepherd's Center are sponsoring a day trip to Kokomo Opalescent Glass, Celebrations Event Center and Seiberling Mansion on Thursday, Dec. 12. The cost of the day trip is \$72, and includes luxury coach, both tours, lunch, and any tips and taxes. Please RSVP by Nov. 15. For detailed information contact Bernie Ferring, tour coordinator, by mail at 314 Sunset Drive, North Manchester, IN 46962; by email at [bernievicki@gmail.com](mailto:bernievicki@gmail.com); or by phone at 260-982-8734.

### MU invites students, parents to Spartan Day

The school is hosting Spartan Day on Saturday, Nov. 16 at its campus in North Manchester. It is from 8:45 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. and includes a complimentary lunch.

### National

### Take-A-Hike Day: Swift Grand Tour planned

From noon to 5 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 17, ACRES Land Trust volunteers will keep the hiking pace swift. Fuel up your vehicle and join in this fast-walking 6-mile grand tour with built-in breaks as you are caravanning from preserve to preserve. Restrooms are available at Asherwood. The trip concludes with sunset views of the Seven Pillars of the Mississinewa Landmark. Other preserve visits include Kokiwanee, Hathaway Preserve at Ross Run, Asherwood and Pehkokia Woods. Space is limited. For starting location and other information, RSVP to [outreach@acreslandtrust.org](mailto:outreach@acreslandtrust.org) or 260-637-2273 by Wednesday, Nov. 13.

### Common Ground Prayer Ministries plans Prayer Watch

From 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 20, Common Ground Prayer Ministries is planning a Prayer Watch Wednesday for Wabash Ministries. We are asking people to come in and pray for half-hour time slots in the prayer room. Focus this month is Friends In Service Here (FISH). You can contact anyone at the prayer room or Janet Shoue with FISH to let them know when you could come. At 10 a.m. every Tuesday, this is a Community Prayer, which is open to all. Contact any of our prayer captains with questions including Debbie Sweet at 260-571-6072, Shirley Neele at 260-591-0047 or Angie Penix at 260-571-9809.

### Woman's Clubhouse plans evening Christmas dinner

Don't forget the Christmas evening dinner Thursday, Dec. 5. It is the annual holiday fundraiser with a very special dinner and entertainment. The house will be decorated in an angel theme this year. Reservations will be taken at the November luncheon. Contact Carol McDonald by phone at 260-563-2331 or Mary Delauter at 260-563-6613 for more information.

*Editor's note: If you have an upcoming event to submit, please send it by email to [news@wabashplaindealer.com](mailto:news@wabashplaindealer.com) no later than five days before the event itself. Please use complete sentences, Associated Press style and Microsoft Word or PDF file formats.*

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Francois; Dr. Pat Ashton, a sociology lecturer;

and moderator Caraline Fearheller, peace studies coordinator.

The film contains graphic violence and some nudity. Established in 1948, the

Peace Studies Institute and Program in Conflict Resolution at Manchester University pioneered as the first undergraduate Peace Studies program

in the world. The Nov. 21 program is part of the Value, Ideas, and Arts series, which offers cultural, intellectual, and artistic enrichment to MU students.

### AWARDS

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Center during the week following the reception. Banners for students who attend Manchester Commu-

nity Schools will be hung in downtown North Manchester.

The Winter Banner Contest, part of the Honeywell Foundation Educational Outreach Program, provides the opportunity for students

to use their artistic talents to create works that may be displayed and celebrated by the community. Competition builds character and the banner contest provides an opportunity to instill pride and confidence for partici-

pating students, now and in the many years to come.

For more information about the Winter Banner Contest reception, please contact the Honeywell Center Box Office at 260-563-1102.



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## inspiration corner

### Daily scripture

For truly, I say to you, until heaven and earth pass away, not an iota, not a dot, will pass from the Law until all is accomplished.

Matthew 5:18

## our take

# Remember to 'fall back' Sunday

Everyone gets an extra hour to spend this weekend, and whether you choose to get extra sleep or spend your time preparing for the week ahead, the bi-annual inconvenience brought by daylight saving time also acts as a good reminder for some mundane, yet important, tasks.

The National Fire Protection Association urges households to replace their smoke alarm batteries twice a year, and fire officials say making these replacements on the annual "fall back" and "spring forward" should become a national tradition.

At 2 a.m. Sunday, we will gain an extra hour, which means we will have to adjust our clocks that aren't automatic, like the one on the microwave or in our cars.

After completing these two obvious tasks, there will still be plenty of time to do some other things that may improve your daily life, so we would like to suggest a few more twice-annual tasks that you should add to your Daylight Saving Time routine:

■ Reverse ceiling fans to run in a clockwise direction to force warm air down into your living space. Flip or rotate your mattress to minimize wear. And while we're in the bedroom, replace those pillows. Dr. Robert Oexman from the Sleep to Live Institute suggests replacing pillows every six months, explaining that old pillows cause acne and trigger allergies.

■ Your toothbrush is another breeding ground for germs. The American Dental Association suggests replacing your toothbrush every 3 months. So if you are still using the toothbrush you had when we moved our clocks ahead this spring it's time to throw it out and get a new one.

■ Replace filters. These could include both furnace and water purification filters. You might even take this time to check the air filter in your vehicle. If it does need replaced, or at least cleaned, you will be helping your vehicle perform better, giving you better gas mileage and improved acceleration abilities.

■ Consider replacing your running shoes. For those who regularly jog on the Riverwalk, Cardinal Greenway or use a treadmill at the Y, six months is considered about the maximum length of time for a pair of running shoes, with expectation that the shoes will have put on between 400 to 500 miles. If you haven't been keeping up with your resolution from New Years Eve, you might be alright, but running in old or worn-out shoes is one of the most common causes of running injuries.

These are just some of many things you could do with your extra hour, but there's a lot more we haven't covered. If you haven't begun winterizing your home, the list could go on for days, and you'll likely need more than an hour to complete them.

It would be a good idea to run, walk or drive to your local Wabash County businesses and stock up on batteries, filters, toothbrushes and more before 2 a.m. Sunday.

You have lots of work to do this weekend and just 60 extra minutes to get it done. Good luck.



## Time to brush up on our understanding of legal processes

If there's one thing Americans understand, it's TV cop shows. So here's the deal: Donald J. Trump isn't on trial, he's under investigation. And the first thing that happens during any serious probe is that detectives question witnesses separately so they can't cook their testimony.

If Witness A can't be sure exactly Witness B is saying, there's a better chance of getting a straight story.

Just about everybody with a TV set understands these things.

So it's hard to imagine who that flash-mob of Republican congressmen thought they were kidding by storming the U.S. Capitol secure room where witnesses are being questioned in the House impeachment inquiry. According to them, confidential congressional hearings constitute an unprecedented Star Chamber proceeding. Supposedly, only Democrats were allowed to participate; Trump was being denied his constitutional right to an attorney, to cross-examine witnesses or examine the evidence against him.

In a word, Trump was being railroaded.

In reality, none of that is true. Indeed, about half the indignant GOP congressmen were playing hooky from their duties as members of the very committees – Intelligence, Judiciary, Foreign Affairs, etc. – conducting the inquiry. They could have been in the hearing room questioning witnesses, if they had any questions to ask. Instead, they staged a publicity stunt for TV cameras.

Do they take their constituents for fools?

Apparently so. Meanwhile, on Fox News, Sean Hannity promised to expose "something corrupt and dangerous to this democratic republic that we love. We will expose on this program the Democrats' top-secret, their Soviet-

style impeachment coup attempt ... an unprecedented unconstitutional attempt to nullify the will of the American people."

This is all but delusional. The U.S. Constitution gives the House of Representatives sole authority over impeaching the president, and says very little about exactly how. Hannity never did say what was unconstitutional about it, except as the word means "something I really, really don't like."

House Republicans, of course, held hundreds of hours of confidential Benghazi hearings during the Obama administration, without finding much to illuminate the tragedy beyond what was already known.

On "Meet the Press" back in 2015, GOP Rep. Trey Gowdy explained the advantage of closed-door hearings. Largely because there's less grandstanding and bickering among politicians, he said, "the private ones always produce better results."

Democrats thought Republicans were mainly blowing smoke, but never challenged their constitutional authority to do so.

Remember when Hillary Clinton appeared under oath before Gowdy's committee for 11 straight hours all by her lonesome? Assuming that the House votes to impeach Trump, he'll have the benefit of his full constitutional rights – an opportunity to contest all the evidence against him, to have all the lawyers he wants, and to cross-examine witnesses.

Just like any defendant on "Law and Order."

For that matter, remember when Bill Clinton testified before Kenneth Starr's grand jury regarding his naughty activities with Monica Lewinsky? They broadcast the thing on national TV, inadvertently increasing sympathy for the big dope and pretty much dooming their chances to remove him. Not that it was Clinton's finest moment.

But that won't be an issue for President Trump, who – you read it here first – will never testify under oath, come hell or high water. He

has the constitutional right to take the Fifth Amendment, and surely he will.

What, then, will Trump's defense consist of?

So far, of maligning the honor and patriotism of witnesses, career public servants and combat veterans alike, who have blown the whistle on his Ukraine extortion plot. That's essentially all he's got. Along with teaching adepts of the Trump cult to detest domestic political opponents he calls "human scum."

Over the weekend, Trump explained why he notified his great friend Russian dictator Vladimir Putin about the impending raid against ISIS mass-murderer Abu Bakr al-Baghdadi while keeping Nancy Pelosi in the dark.

The speaker of the House, third in line for the presidency, who has participated in more top-secret hearings than almost any living American, was deemed untrustworthy by this blowhard, who – were he not president – could no more earn a security clearance than he could dunk a basketball.

Americans have grown so accustomed to Trump's contumelious behavior that this isn't even surprising. He's essentially a WWE professional wrestling shill in a baggy blue suit. Clue: Any Trump statement that begins with "people are saying" or that relates someone calling him "sir" will be sheer, malicious fiction. He's got a substantial proportion of Americans at one another's throats.

Jonathan Rauch puts it this way in National Affairs: "Trump's appeals to ethnic and racial resentment, his portrayals of a country and culture under siege, and his populist demonization of multiple enemies offered Republicans something more appealing than any particular list of policies: They offered solidarity against a threat."

It was left to a Washington, D.C., World Series crowd to respond in kind: "Lock him up!" they chanted. You see, the feeling's mutual.

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## The facts are only going to get worse for the president

Republicans said they wanted process, so now they have it. The question is whether President Trump's defenders are willing, finally, to address the substance of the allegations against him.

Thursday's historic vote by the House set out procedures for the inquiry into Trump's conduct that give the president every opportunity to defend himself. Before and after the vote, GOP leaders complained that Speaker Nancy Pelosi, D-Calif., was running a "Soviet-style" impeachment process, which must be one of the dumbest things ever said on the House floor. The old Soviet Union didn't do impeachments, with accusation by one legislative chamber, judgment by the other, the nation's highest judicial officer presiding and the ultimate sanction being removal from office. It did purges, followed by a one-way trip to the gulag.

It sounded as if Minority Leader Kevin McCarthy, R-Calif., and his colleagues were grasping at the wispiest of straws, and they were. Odds are that they will continue to do so as long as they can. Meanwhile, however, the process they clamored for will roll on and gather momentum, with or without them.

Trump has grouched that his allies should instead be defending him on substance. But how can they? His phone call with Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelensky was "perfect" only as an illustration of impeachable behavior. And we know that what Trump called a "word-for-word" transcript of the call omitted key elements of the call, according to one witness. How can anyone defend the president without knowing what's missing?

Moreover, the phone call was just part of a much larger scheme. The evidence that has surfaced thus far indicates that Trump orchestrated a mob-style shakedown, withholding nearly \$400 million in military aid and a promised White House meeting in an attempt to coerce Zelensky into investigating – and publicly smearing – Biden and his son Hunter. The play-ball-with-us message was apparently delivered not just by the president himself but also by various emissaries. At the time, Joe Biden was shown by polls to be Trump's most formidable potential Democratic opponent in November 2020.

In other words, Trump was actively and personally colluding with a foreign government to interfere in our coming presidential election. No wonder Republicans prefer to pound the table about process.

Soon the depositions that the House Intelligence Committee has been taking behind closed doors will be made public. What we have learned of them so far is heartening. Patriotic civil servants realized what Trump was trying to do and were aghast. They saw him putting personal political interests ahead of the national security interests he had sworn an oath to protect, and they tried their best to do the right thing within the chain of command.

Ambassador William Taylor, named envoy to Ukraine by Secretary of State Mike Pompeo, kept copious notes and was able to produce a detailed timeline of events. He also made sure that his qualms and objections were recorded in text messages, which he surely knew would someday come to light. These are not the actions of some "spy" from the mythical "deep state." These are the actions of a dedicated and experienced diplomat who loves his country.

Lt. Col. Alexander Vindman, a decorated Iraq War veteran who works at the National Security Council as an expert on Ukraine, was assigned to listen in on Trump's phone call with Velensky – and was so horrified he reported the president's extortion attempt to a top NSC lawyer. The lawyer's reaction was to make sure that the rough transcript of the call was buried in a super-secret computer system usually reserved for the most highly classified information, such as ongoing covert operations.

For recognizing the difference between right and wrong, and for volunteering to appear before the House Intelligence Committee despite almost certainly being pressured by his bosses at the White House not to do so, Vindman has had his patriotism impugned. I wonder how many of his spineless Republican critics were awarded the Purple Heart after being injured by a bomb in Iraq.

More witnesses are coming out of the woodwork. When the public hearings begin, Trump's defenders will have to decide what tack to take. Keep harping on process? Taking the route of character assassination? Pulling more sophomoric stunts to disrupt the proceedings?

However Republicans choose to proceed, there's one thing they must realize, even if they are afraid to say it out loud: The facts are only going to get worse for the president. If they can't bring themselves to defend Trump on the merits, they're going to have to explain why not. Process is now just a dodge.

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# Prosecutor reviewing Russia probe known for tenacity, ethics

BY DAVE COLLINS  
Associated Press

HARTFORD, Conn. — The man leading the inquiry into the origins of the Russia probe is no stranger to politically sensitive investigations. In his 41-year career as a prosecutor, John Durham, the U.S. attorney for Connecticut, has led investigations into the FBI's cozy relationship with Boston mobsters such as James "Whitey" Bulger and the CIA's use of tough interrogation techniques on terrorism suspects.

Former colleagues and defense lawyers who have squared off against him say he is unlikely to be concerned about any fallout from his findings during this new assignment.

"Whoever put him in charge, I hope they didn't expect him to be a yes man and follow the script, because he will follow the evidence relentlessly and call it as he sees it," said Hugh Keefe, a defense attorney in New Haven.

Attorney General William Barr picked Durham in May to examine what led the U.S. to open a counterintelligence investigation of President Donald Trump's 2016 campaign. That investigation led to special counsel Robert Mueller's probe of Russian interference in the election.

Last week, it was disclosed that Durham's administrative review has become a criminal inquiry, giving him powers to empanel a grand jury, compel witnesses to testify and bring criminal charges.

Durham is looking into whether the surveillance and intelligence-gathering methods used during the counterintelligence investigation were legal and appropriate.

But the parameters of his investigation have never been defined for the public, mak-

ing it unclear what problems or misconduct from the early days of the Russia probe he is searching for.

It's also not clear why his appointment by Barr was necessary, given that the Justice Department's inspector general has spent the past year and a half examining actions by agents and prosecutors in opening the Russia investigation, including potential political bias. That report is expected in the coming weeks.

Durham's inquiry is under intense political scrutiny. The investigation of the investigators has riled congressional Democrats, who say the Justice Department has lost its independence and become a vehicle for Trump's political revenge.

"President Trump and Attorney General Barr are politically weaponizing the Department of Justice — threatening a return to its darkest days," said Democratic Sen. Richard Blumenthal of Connecticut. "Targeting law enforcers as enemies — simply because they have the spine to stand up to corrupt power — is deeply dangerous, indeed chilling. This line must not be crossed."

Trump, who is facing a House impeachment inquiry over his dealings with Ukraine, has said that there was political bias inside the FBI and that the Russia probe was part of a "witch hunt" to discredit him and his presidency. The president recently said he expects Durham's review to reveal "really bad things."

"John's got himself caught in a very difficult situation," said Stanley Twardy, a former Connecticut U.S. attorney who was once Durham's boss. "No matter what he does, he's going to have a

good part of the public damning him. But the great thing about John is he's not going to care about that."

Twardy said Durham wouldn't hesitate to speak out if the findings of his investigation were mischaracterized, as Barr was accused of doing to Mueller.

Durham, 69, is a Republican who was nominated U.S. attorney by Trump and confirmed by the Senate in 2018. As in nearly all cases, Durham declined to comment on his investigation.

In Boston, Durham led a task force that investigated the FBI's relationship with mobsters. The probe led to the conviction of FBI agent John Connelly, who was sentenced to more than 10 years in prison for protecting Bulger and other informants, including tipping them off to upcoming indictments.

In 2008, Durham was tapped by President George W. Bush's administration to investigate the CIA's destruction of videotapes it had made of its interrogations of terrorism suspects. A year later, under a directive from President Barack Obama's attorney general, Eric Holder, Durham expanded the probe to examine the agency's treatment of detainees.

He determined in both cases that criminal charges were not warranted.

Durham specifically looked for potential crimes in the deaths of two detainees, including one who was shackled to a cold concrete wall in a secret CIA prison.

During his career, Durham also has taken down mobsters, gang members and former Connecticut Gov. John Rowland, who resigned in 2004 amid a corruption investigation, was convicted and served 10 months in prison.



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Churchill Downs project includes hotel, gaming, new seats

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (AP) — The home of the Kentucky Derby plans to begin work this month on a \$300 million project that will include a hotel, historical racing machines, new stadium seating and a Millionaires Row renovation.

Churchill Downs announced the tentative plans earlier this week in a statement, saying it would also create 300 new jobs. The track says it is awaiting state approval.

The project would include a 156-room hotel in the track's first turn that would offer trackside suites and a gambling floor. The plans would also add about 5,500 new seats at the track.

The Millionaires Row renovation would include private dining spaces, lounges and window dining and would be done before next year's Derby.

The rest of the project is expected to be completed by the end of 2021.

Panthers' Newton to get another opinion on injured foot

CHARLOTTE, N.C. (AP) — Panthers quarterback Cam Newton is seeking another opinion on his injured left foot.

The team announced Newton is traveling Friday to Green Bay, Wisconsin to visit with Dr. Robert Anderson, a renowned foot specialist who previously served as an assistant team physician with the Panthers.

Newton has missed Carolina's last five games and is not expected to play Sunday against the Tennessee Titans. He has not practiced since Week 2 and Kyle Allen was named the starter earlier in the week.

Panthers general manager Marty Hurney says in a statement that Newton has "done everything he possibly can in his rehab process to get his foot to 100 percent. Unfortunately, we haven't reached that point. The next step is for him to go see Dr. Anderson and gather more information."

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HIGH SCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY



XC: Wabash's Derek Vogel (right) is recognized during last week's semi-state meet at Purdue-Fort Wayne for advancing to the state finals.

Sweet, Vogel prep for state meet

BY JACOB RUDE sports@wabashplaindealer.com

The duo of Braden Sweet of Southwood and Derek Vogel of Wabash will compete one last time for the fall season at the state cross country finals on Saturday. Held at the LaVern Gibson Championship Cross Country Course on Indiana State University's campus at Terre Haute, Vogel will be making his second consecutive trip to southern Indiana while Sweet is making his first.

Last season, Vogel finished 72nd in the state meet in a

time of 16:53. Comparatively this season, Vogel qualified for the state meet at Purdue-Fort Wayne last week in a time of 16:07.

Sweet, meanwhile, finished ahead of Vogel in both the regional and semi-state, winning the former meet. Last week, Sweet took eighth at The Plex in a time of 15:54.

A handful of returners from last season will headline Saturday's field, led by last year's runner-up, Lowell's Gabriel Sanchez finished second last season and

returns this season as the prohibitive favorite. Reece Gibson of Concordia Lutheran placed eighth last year and returns this season as well while Lapel's Luke Combs took 27th last fall and also competes on Saturday.

Concordia Lutheran will be the team favorite on the day after finishing fourth last season. Carmel, Fishers and Homestead also figure to battle near the top. Concordia, Fishers and Homestead all competed at last week's semi-state along with Vogel and Sweet.

INCCStats, a website that runs simulations of state tournaments meets based on algorithms similar to John Harrell for football and basketball, projects Concordia as the favorites for the team title.

Individually, Sanchez, Combs and Gibson are projected to finish in the top three in that order. Sweet is projected to finish 35th on the day and Vogel is projected to finish 41st.

The boys meet is set to start at 1 p.m. Admission to the event is \$10 per person.

HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL

Expectations aplenty for new-look Norse

BY JACOB RUDE sports@wabashplaindealer.com

On the heels of arguably the greatest season in Northfield girls' basketball history, head coach Melissa Allen doesn't anticipate her side will slow down.

The Norse are armed with the talent in both returners from last season and newcomers to the fold. If Thursday is any sign, Northfield may be reloading rather than rebuilding.

The Norse unofficially opened the season with a scrimmage at home against South Adams. Four 12-minute quarters with a running clock offered an early extended look at the Norse as they retake the court after a trophy-laden season last winter.

"I just told the girls that we have high expectations," Allen said. "Our motto for the year is 'We Rise' and I told the girls we can look at it two different ways. One, we can just kind of come in this season and just go with the flow because we had such a great season last year or we can come in and rise above and get back to where we were last year if not further."

Officially, stats were not kept on the night save for a score that reset after each quarter. In the opening frame with both sides playing man-to-man defense, the Norse won 16-7. The second quarter was zone defenses with Northfield earning a 13-3 win. With both sides pressing in quarter three, Northfield won 12-2 before a fourth quarter that saw either side play any defense with the Squires winning 10-7. In total across the four quarters, Northfield outscored the Star Fires 51-19.

"I saw a lot of good



BASKETBALL: Northfield's Kenzie Baer scores a layup during the first quarter of Thursday's scrimmage against South Adams.

things," Allen said. "The good thing about tonight is I saw some things we need to work on before our game next Thursday. But overall, I saw a lot of good things."

With graduation taking away three starters from last year's team and a knee injury sidelining a fourth in junior Kyra Kennedy, junior Addi Baker was the lone holdover from the starting five from last winter.

On Thursday, Baker was joined in the front court by Kearston Stout, a ju-

nior that featured in all 28 games last year, and junior Kenzie Baer who missed last season with her own knee injury. Paired with junior forward Emily Pennington off the bench, the Norse have a host of big bodies that Allen sees as creating many advantages this season.

"(It creates) huge (advantages), in my book, because they're not only big but they're so athletic," she said. "They're going to be hard guard. Offensively, the other teams if they do

have a big girl, they're not going to be able to keep up most the time. And we'll be able to stop them just because of our athleticism on the (defensive) side."

The question marks for the Norse this season come in the backcourt. Kennedy's injury leaves the Norse with just one guard, junior Emma Hoover, that played in at least half the games last season. On Thursday, Hoover was joined in the backcourt by senior Fayth

COLLEE FOOTBALL

Purdue, Nebraska looking for turnaround week amid tailspins

BY MICHAEL MAROT AP Sports Writer

Purdue and Nebraska took time this week to look long and hard at what's ailing their programs.

Boilermakers coach Jeff Brohm emphasized the need to make corrections. Cornhuskers coach Scott Frost challenged his guys to play with more passion.

On Saturday, everyone will find out whose message broke through.

"There comes a time and place when you have to rip some tails, honestly. That's what we did," Frost said, explaining the critique was not personal and team captains supported the move. "I still feel like that is what we are missing a little bit, just the guys caring enough to do their job perfect on Saturdays and practice all the time. It is close, but, we can't do those little things and shoot ourselves in the foot. We are not a good enough team right now."

Nebraska's struggles have mystified a fan base hoping to reclaim the glory days.

But since Frost returned to his alma mater last season, the Cornhuskers (4-4, 2-3 Big Ten) have won only eight games, haven't been ranked since September and are just 1-7 outside Lincoln. Now, after a 38-31 home loss to Indiana, the Cornhuskers hope to turn things around at Purdue.

The Boilermakers (2-6, 1-4) face a similar plight.

They've been without starting quarterback Elijah Sindelar (broken left collarbone) and All-American receiver Rondale Moore (left hamstring) since Sept. 28.

In the four games since, Purdue has lost three times and Brohm's high-scoring offense has scored just 73 points, 18.3 per game. Worse, Purdue now finds itself needing to win its final four games just to become bowl-eligible.

While Brohm knows it won't be easy for a young team decimated by injuries, he expects a better performance than the one he watched last week in driving rain, a 24-6 loss to Illinois.

"We've got to work through this, and I think the only way to do that is to evaluate each performance weekly, make corrections, identify them, talk about them and figure out ways to improve," Brohm said. "Then you come back and work your tail off to get better and gain confidence to go on the field and play better football. I think our guys will do that."

MARTINEZ SAYS HE'S READY

Frost hasn't named a starting quarterback, but Adrian Martinez says he's ready to go. Martinez injured his left knee against Northwestern on Oct. 5 and didn't play against Minnesota and Indiana — both losses. Noah Vedral and Luke McCaffrey have been taking the snaps in Martinez's absence. Frost said Martinez would have been available in a pinch last week against the Hoosiers.



ON THE AIR

<b>AUTO RACING</b> <b>4:55 p.m.</b> <b>ESPNEWS:</b> Formula One: The United States Grand Prix, qualifying, Travis County, Texas <b>6:30 p.m.</b> <b>CNBC:</b> NASCAR Xfinity Series: final practice, Fort Worth, Texas <b>7 p.m.</b> <b>CNBC:</b> NASCAR Monster Energy Cup: final practice, Fort Worth, Texas <b>8:30 p.m.</b> <b>NBCSN:</b> NASCAR Xfinity Series: The O'Reilly Auto Parts 300, Fort Worth, Texas <b>COLLEGE FOOTBALL</b> <b>12 p.m.</b> <b>ABC:</b> Michigan at Maryland <b>CBSSN:</b> Northern Illinois at Central Michigan <b>ESPN2:</b> Houston at Central Florida <b>ESPN2:</b> Buffalo at Eastern Michigan <b>FOX:</b> Nebraska at Purdue <b>SEC:</b> Texas (San Antonio) at Texas A&M <b>2:30 p.m.</b> <b>NBC:</b> Virginia Tech at Notre Dame <b>3:30 p.m.</b> <b>ABC:</b> Miami at Florida State <b>BTN:</b> Rutgers at Illinois <b>CBS:</b> Georgia vs. Florida, Jacksonville, Fla. <b>FS1:</b> Kansas State at Kansas <b>NFL:</b> Texas (El Paso) at North Texas <b>4 p.m.</b> <b>FOX:</b> Utah at Washington <b>SEC:</b> Mississippi State at Arkansas <b>7 p.m.</b> <b>ESPN:</b> Mississippi at Auburn <b>FS1:</b> Northwestern at Indiana <b>7:30 p.m.</b> <b>SEC:</b> Vanderbilt at South Carolina <b>8 p.m.</b> <b>FOX:</b> Oregon at Southern California <b>WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL</b> <b>8:30 p.m.</b> <b>BTN:</b> Penn State at Nebraska <b>GOLF</b> <b>1:30 p.m.</b> <b>GOLF:</b> PGA Tour: The Bermuda Championship, third round, Southampton, Bermuda <b>4:30 p.m.</b> <b>GOLF:</b> PGA Tour Champions: The Invesco QQQ Championship, second round, Lake Sherwood, Calif. <b>8 p.m.</b> <b>GOLF:</b> LPGA Tour: The Swinging Skirts Taiwan Championship, third round, Yangmei, Taiwan <b>10:30 p.m.</b> <b>GOLF:</b> PGA Tour: The HSBC Champions, final round, Shanghai <b>HORSE RACING</b> <b>3:30 p.m.</b> <b>NBCSN:</b> Breeders' Cup: From Santa Anita, Calif. <b>8 p.m.</b> <b>NBC:</b> Breeders' Cup: From Santa Anita, Calif. <b>NBA BASKETBALL</b> <b>7 p.m.</b> <b>NBA:</b> Denver at Orlando <b>10 p.m.</b> <b>NBA:</b> Philadelphia at Portland	<b>SOCCER (MEN'S)</b> <b>10:30 a.m.</b> <b>FS1:</b> Bundesliga: Bayern Munich at Eintracht Frankfurt <b>FS2:</b> Bundesliga: VfL Wolfsburg at Borussia Dortmund <b>10:55 a.m.</b> <b>NBCSN:</b> Premier League: Southampton at Manchester City <b>11 a.m.</b> <b>CNBC:</b> Premier League: Wolverhampton at Arsenal <b>1:25 p.m.</b> <b>NBCSN:</b> Premier League: Chelsea at Watford <b>1:30 p.m.</b> <b>FS1:</b> Bundesliga: Hertha Berlin at FC Union Berlin <b>3:50 p.m.</b> <b>FS2:</b> FIFA U-17 World Cup: Haiti vs. France, Group C, Goiânia, Brazil <b>6:50 p.m.</b> <b>FS2:</b> FIFA U-17 World Cup: Netherlands vs. United States, Group D, Goiânia, Brazil <b>TENNIS</b> <b>11 a.m.</b> <b>TENNIS:</b> USTA: Men's Pro Circuit Charlottesville & Women's Pro Circuit Tyler, Semifinals <b>11:30 a.m.</b> <b>TENNIS:</b> ATP: The Rolex Masters, Semifinals, Paris <b>Sunday, Nov. 3</b> <b>AUTO RACING</b> <b>1:30 p.m.</b> <b>ABC:</b> Formula One: The United States Grand Prix, Travis County, Texas <b>3 p.m.</b> <b>NBCSN:</b> NASCAR Monster Energy Cup: The AAA Texas 500, Fort Worth, Texas <b>4 p.m.</b> <b>FS1:</b> NHRA Drag Racing: The Nevada Nationals, Las Vegas <b>WOMEN'S FIELD HOCKEY</b> <b>11 a.m.</b> <b>BTN:</b> Iowa at Michigan <b>COLLEGE SOCCER (MEN'S)</b> <b>3 p.m.</b> <b>ESPN:</b> Michigan at Maryland <b>COLLEGE SOCCER (WOMEN'S)</b> <b>1 p.m.</b> <b>BTN:</b> Big Ten Tournament: Purdue vs. Wisconsin, Quarterfinals, Piscataway, N.J. <b>2 p.m.</b> <b>SEC:</b> SEC Tournament: Auburn vs. Alabama, First Round, Orange Beach, Ala. <b>4:30 p.m.</b> <b>SEC:</b> SEC Tournament: Mississippi State vs. Mississippi, First Round, Orange Beach, Ala. <b>WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL</b> <b>1 p.m.</b> <b>ESPN2:</b> Minnesota at Purdue <b>ESPN:</b> West Virginia at Texas <b>5 p.m.</b> <b>ESPN:</b> Iowa State at Baylor <b>FIGURE SKATING</b> <b>4 p.m.</b> <b>NBC:</b> ISU Grand Prix: Internationaux de France, Grenoble, France (taped) <b>GOLF</b>	<b>12:30 p.m.</b> <b>GOLF:</b> PGA Tour: The Bermuda 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<b>NBC:</b> New England at Baltimore <b>SOCCER (MEN'S)</b> <b>8:55 a.m.</b> <b>NBCSN:</b> Premier League: Leicester City at Crystal Palace <b>9:30 a.m.</b> <b>FS1:</b> Bundesliga: Cologne at Fortuna Düsseldorf <b>11:25 a.m.</b> <b>NBCSN:</b> Premier League: Tottenham at Everton <b>11:50 a.m.</b> <b>FS2:</b> Bundesliga: Schalke at Augsburg <b>2:50 p.m.</b> <b>FS2:</b> FIFA U-17 World Cup: Cameroon vs. Spain, Group E, Brasília, Brazil <b>5:50 p.m.</b> <b>FS2:</b> FIFA U-17 World Cup: Mexico vs. Solomon Islands, Group F, Goiânia, Brazil <b>TENNIS</b> <b>6:30 a.m.</b> <b>TENNIS:</b> ATP/WTA: The Rolex Masters, Doubles Finals, & The WTA Finals, Singles Finals <b>9 a.m.</b> <b>TENNIS:</b> ATP: The Rolex Masters, Singles Finals, Paris <b>11 a.m.</b> <b>TENNIS:</b> USTA: Men's Pro Circuit Charlottesville, Singles Final, Charlottesville, Va. <b>1 p.m.</b> <b>TENNIS:</b> USTA: Women's Pro Circuit Tyler, Singles Final, Tyler, Texas
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Cleveland	3	4	0	.429	150	145				
Cincinnati	2	5	0	.286	133	181				
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Oakland	5	3	0	.625	226	181				
L.A. Chargers	3	4	0	.429	151	192				
Denver	3	5	0	.375	157	157				
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Philadelphia	4	3	0	.571	190	124				
N.Y. Giants	4	4	0	.500	202	199				
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<b>Sunday's Games</b>										
Houston vs Jacksonville at London, 9:30 a.m.										
N.Y. Jets at Miami, 1 p.m.										
Washington at Buffalo, 1 p.m.										
Tennessee at Carolina, 1 p.m.										
Minnesota at Kansas City, 1 p.m.										
Chicago at Philadelphia, 1 p.m.										
Indianapolis at Pittsburgh, 1 p.m.										
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Detroit at Oakland, 4:05 p.m.										
Green Bay at L.A. Chargers, 4:25 p.m.										
Cleveland at Denver, 4:25 p.m.										
New England at Baltimore, 8:20 p.m.										
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<b>Monday's Game</b>										
Dallas at N.Y. Giants, 8:15 p.m.										
<b>Thursday, Nov. 7</b>										
L.A. Chargers at Oakland, 8:20 p.m.										
<b>Sunday, Nov. 10</b>										
Arizona at Tampa Bay, 1 p.m.										
Kansas City at Tennessee, 1 p.m.										
Buffalo at Cleveland, 1 p.m.										
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Miami	1	6	0	.143	78	185				
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OLYMPICS

# Tokyo gives in: Olympic marathons head north to Sapporo

BY STEPHEN WADE

AP Sports Writer

TOKYO — After two weeks of bitter debate, the Tokyo Olympic marathon is still going north to Sapporo.

And Tokyo Governor Yuriko Koike isn't happy about it.

"I dare say, this is a decision without an agreement," Koike said Friday, speaking through an interpreter at talks with the IOC and local organizers.

She conceded the powerful International Olympic Committee had won over her objection to keep the race in the Japanese capital.

"We cannot agree or concur with the decision of the IOC," Koike added. "But the IOC has the final authority to change and we will not obstruct the decision."

The IOC abruptly announced the marathon and race walk changes two weeks ago, fearing Tokyo's summer heat could produce TV images like those seen last month from Doha, Qatar.

Despite a midnight start, dozens of runners collapsed on the marathon course at the world track and field championships. Some were carried away on stretchers, and others rode wheelchairs to ambulances.

IOC member John Coates, who has been meeting with Koike for a week on an inspection visit to the Japanese capital, likened Tokyo's summer conditions to the Arabian peninsula, even after the city agreed to start the race at dawn.

"The images out of Doha — when you finally saw the

effect on athletes," Coates said, his voice trailing off.

He called the climatic conditions "very, very similar" to Tokyo.

Tokyo has warm, humid summers with temperatures routinely in nudging 95 degrees. It is not so different from Atlanta, which hosted the 1996 Olympics, or Athens, the 2004 venue.

"There are certain points that cannot be resolved — things still nagging in our hearts," Koike added, noting Tokyo residents will be deprived of an event that's free.

Olympic tickets in Japan are very difficult to find, with demand at least 10 times over supply.

In addition to the decision itself, Koike was angry that it was made unilaterally by IOC President Thomas Bach.

It's unclear why the IOC moved on its own, since it knew about Tokyo's heat when it awarded the city the Olympics in 2013. Bach and IOC leadership might have guessed that Tokyo officials would not readily approve such a radical change. That was accurate.

"With all the good work that's gone into preparations, we didn't want Tokyo being remembered — in the minds of your people and the minds internationally — by some of the scenes we saw in Doha," Coates said.

The IOC on Friday agreed that Tokyo, which Bach has termed the "best prepared games," will not pay for moving the marathons and race walks. And some expenses to organize the marathon could be reimbursed.

According to a national government audit report last year, Tokyo is spending about \$25 billion to organize the Olympics. Organizing committee officials dispute the figure and say it is half that, raising the debate about what are — and are not — Olympic expenses.

In a letter to Koike, Bach offered to help organize a "celebration marathon" next year on Tokyo's Olympic route. In a related move, the International Paralympic Committee has said it plans to use the Tokyo course in September.

Bach said the move was made to protect athletes and acknowledged in his letter that the IOC was caught in "an unfortunate situation."

Seiko Hashimoto, Japan's Olympic minister and a for-

mer Olympian, spoke for athletes.

"It's not that difficult to think there are so many mixed feelings," she said through an interpreter. "Some are rather perplexed. I hope the athletes can switch their minds quickly."

Coates was asked if the same unilateral decision would have been imposed if the host nation were larger and more powerful, like the United States or China.

"Yes," he replied.

In 2008, athletes arrived to train for the Beijing Olympics, some wearing masks to avoid the city's severe air pollution. The floating dust also posed a grave risk to athletes, but the IOC did not push openly to move the marathon out of the city.

COLLEGE FOOTBALL

# Kelly, No.16 Notre Dame face red-hot Virginia Tech

BY JOHN FINERAN

Associated Press

SOUTH BEND — Coach Brian Kelly doesn't want No. 16 Notre Dame looking in the rear-view mirror when it has danger lurking Saturday in a visit from red-hot Virginia Tech.

Kelly was asked this week why his team, after a bye week, looked so flat in its 45-14 loss at Michigan last Saturday. He wasn't interested.

"Are we going to get to Virginia Tech?" Kelly said. "That game is past us. This will be the last question on Michigan."

The reality is that Notre Dame (5-2) will try to salvage a season that once had high promise. The Irish begin a five-game November stretch against the Hokies (5-2), who have won three straight games following a 45-10 loss to Duke that had prompted questions about coach Justin Fuente's job status.

Fuente believes his young Hokies, who beat Miami (42-35), Rhode Island (34-17) and North Carolina (43-41 in six overtimes), will see an inspired opponent trying to keep alive its 15-game winning streak at Notre Dame Stadium.

"I know that we will see the Notre Dame team that

we saw in all the weeks before that," Fuente said.

Virginia Tech's improvement has come on the offensive side of the ball where sophomore quarterback Hendon Hooker has won his first three starts, throwing for 572 yards and seven touchdowns and adding another 160 yards and a TD on the ground.

"A dual-threat quarterback . an exciting player who has really sparked their offense," said Kelly, who has his own quarterback concerns.

Senior Ian Book suffered through his worst outing against Michigan, completing 8 of 25 passes for 73 yards and one touchdown as the Irish managed just 180 total yards. Sophomore backup Phil Jurkovec threw for 60 yards and a touchdown late, but Kelly wasn't about to create a quarterback controversy.

"Ian didn't play well; I didn't coach well," Kelly said. "There isn't any conversation about making a change. Ian Book is our starter, will be our starter, and Phil will continue to be ready if he's called upon."

## BYE BYES

The Hokies had their second bye week last Saturday following their marathon

victory against North Carolina on Oct. 19 that left them a half-game behind the Tar Heels and Virginia in the Atlantic Coast Conference Coastal Division race. Their first bye came Sept. 21 and Virginia Tech followed it by getting thumped by Duke, their worst home loss since 1974.

Notre Dame's loss at Michigan followed the second bye week of the season. The Irish followed their first bye Sept. 7 with a 66-14 rout of New Mexico. Kelly indicated practices Tuesday and Wednesday were physical, including periods where the No. 1 offense went against the No. 1 defense.

"You don't lose a game on Saturday; you lose it during the week," safety Alohi Gilman, one of the team's six captains, said. "Those are the things like taking pride in your work, the little things that can slip so easily but that add up."

## IN A RUSH

During their three-game winning streak, the Hokies have averaged 210.3 rushing yards, with a season-high 254 against North Carolina, and scored six touchdowns. That's up from 148.8 yards per game and four rushing TDs in their first four games. Junior Deshaun McCleese

has 253 yards on 39 carries and three TDs in the three victories.

The Irish, meanwhile, managed just 47 rushing yards on 31 carries against the Wolverines after rushing for a season-high 311 yards against USC. Tony Jones Jr., who has four 100-yard games this season including a career-high 176 against the Trojans, had 14 yards on eight carries before being sidelined with a rib injury. Kelly said Jones will be a game-day decision with Jafar Armstrong or Jahmir Smith next up.

## GETTING FAMILIAR

The teams had never played before the Irish began a scheduling agreement to play an average of five ACC teams yearly through 2037. During Notre Dame's 4-8 campaign in 2016, Fuente brought his first Tech team to South Bend, trailed 17-0 early but then scored the final 13 points in a 34-31 victory that the Irish followed with a 45-27 loss at USC, the last time they lost two straight games.

Last season in Blacksburg, the No. 6 Irish won 45-23 behind Book's 271 passing yards and Dexter Williams' 178 rushing yards, including a 97-yard TD run.

MLB

# Cole, Rendon among 131 free agents on market

BY RONALD BLUM

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NEW YORK — Washington third baseman Anthony Rendon became a free agent Thursday, a day after homering to spark Washington's seventh-inning comeback in Game 7 of the World Series.

Houston pitcher Gerrit Cole also went free after warming up in the bullpen but never getting into the season finale.

And Nationals pitcher Stephen Strasburg, the World Series MVP, could be joining them in the next few days. He has the right

to opt out of his contract, which has \$100 million over four years remaining.

Baseball's business season starts shortly after the final out.

"I think it's hard to kind of fast-forward," Astros manager AJ Hinch said. "Seasons end really fast. I don't care if you get all the way to the seventh game of the World Series. It's all of a sudden — boom! — it's over."

Cole, Rendon and Strasburg all are represented by Scott Boras, known for slow, methodical negotiations. Last winter, he reached outfielder Bryce Harper's \$330 million, 13-year contract with Philadelphia on Feb. 28.

Cole, a 29-year-old right-hander who went 20-5 this year, is expected to get a record contract for a pitcher, topping David Price's \$217 million, seven-year deal with Boston before the 2016 season and Justin Verlander's \$31.33 million average salary under a three-year deal with the Astros that started in 2019.

Cole tweeted a letter Thursday praising Houston fans.

"Before I became an Astro I didn't know much about Houston, but after just two years you have made it feel

like home," he wrote. "This is a relationship between a team and ... fans like no other that I know."

Strasburg, a 31-year-old right-hander, just finished the third season of a \$175 million deal and at 18-6 also is coming off his best season. Rendon led the major leagues with 126 RBIs while hitting .319 with 34 homers.

A total of 131 players became free agents Thursday, and 53 more potentially are eligible pending decisions on team, player and mutual options during the next few days.

Among the pitchers available are major league ERA leader Hyun-Jin Ryu, Zack Wheeler, Madison Bumgarner, Rick Porcello, Cole Hamels, Jake Odorizzi and Dallas Keuchel, who went free after the 2018 season and waited until June to reach a one-year deal with Atlanta.

Others eligible include shortstop Didi Gregorius, third baseman Josh Donaldson and outfielders Yasiel Puig, Marcell Ozuna and José Abreu — the AL RBIs leader.

Yankees closer Aroldis Chapman and Boston slugger J.D. Martinez also have the right to opt out, and catcher Yasmani Grandal has a mutual option with Milwaukee.

Teams must decide by Monday whether to make \$17.8 million qualifying offers to their former players who became free agents. Players are eligible for the offer if they were on the roster for the season and never received a qualifying offer before. The price dropped for the first time, by \$100,000, following a second straight slow offseason for roster moves.

Edwin Encarnación's \$25 million option was declined by the Yankees, triggering a \$5 million buyout.

## PURDUE

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"I feel like my arm's juiced up and everything's recuperated," Martinez said. "I'm ready to be back and I'm fired up."

## FRIENDLY ADMIRERS

Nebraska receiver-running back Wan'Dale Robinson, who leads Big Ten freshmen with 111.5 all-purpose yards per game, is looking forward to seeing Moore, his training partner. Robinson, from Frankfort, Kentucky, and Moore, have been training at a Louisville gym for three years. Moore played high school football in Louisville.

"We were just competing and always going back and forth with each other and that helped us out," Robinson said. "He's part of the reason how I even got here today, seeing how he is

and how he approaches the game and things like that. He's just been a really big help."

## REMINDER WEEK

Just days after Indiana athletic director Fred Glass complained Frost and his staff were disrespecting the Hoosiers' program, Nebraska faces a team Frost offended last year. Moments after a 56-10 loss at Michigan, Frost said the Huskers had played a "really good team and we get a game that we could win next week." Purdue responded by beating the Cornhuskers 42-28 in Lincoln. In the lead up to the game, Brohm said Frost's comment had been "heard." and during the coaches' postgame handshake Purdue running back Markell Jones walked past Frost and mockingly said, "we had a winnable game."

# With Northwestern up next, Hoosiers keep focus on winning

BY MICHAEL MAROT

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The Indiana Hoosiers are already eligible for a bowl game.

It's not enough.

With four games remaining, starting Saturday at home against Northwestern, players and coaches insist nothing has changed inside the locker room. They're still focused, still hungry, still trying to stack victories and rewrite history in what could be a breakthrough season for the program.

"I think right now with how well we're playing and the confidence that we have, I don't really envision complacency being too big of an issue," quarterback Peyton Ramsey said. "I didn't see it (Monday)."

The more important question might be how the Hoosiers (6-2, 3-2 Big Ten) respond to last week's eligibility-clinching win at Nebraska?

In previous years, seemingly significant victories have frequently been followed by deflating losses.

This time could be different.

Indiana is a double-digit favorite over the Wildcats (1-6, 0-5). Since appearing in last season's conference championship game as the West Division champs, Northwestern has lost seven

of nine, five straight and finds itself needing to sweep their last five games just to become bowl-eligible. The Wildcats understand their plight as they seek their first road victory in nearly 12 months.

"We can do math. We know how many games we have left," defensive end Joe Gaziano said. "We know how many are needed to win to get to a bowl game. We're excited to play an opponent we haven't seen before, ready to get after it. Spirits are up. We know what we have to do to get to the post-season and we're playing a team that's been playing great ball."

Indiana has won three straight league games in the same season since for the first time since 1993. They've topped the 30-point mark seven times in eight games for the first time in school history. Receiver Whop Philyor is sixth in the Bowl Subdivision with 57 receptions and is the only player in the nation to post three games with at least 10 catches this season.

And all that despite continued uncertainty about who starts at quarterback — Ramsey or the injured Michael Penix Jr., who beat Ramsey for the starting job this summer.

But it hasn't created a

problem for the Hoosiers yet and nobody expects that to change now.

"Last week was last week," Philyor said. "Northwestern is coming to Bloomington, that's our main focus right now. We have to get the job done."

## RECORD CHASE

Gaziano has recorded 5½ sacks this season and 26½ in his career, pulling within 1½ of Casey Dailey's school record. And Gaziano knows exactly where he stands.

"I've been motivated to reach that record," he said. "It's something special for me to make a lasting impression on the program, to have the career sack record."

## OFFENSIVELY SPEAKING

The Hoosiers just completed their first perfect October since 1993.

And the offense has been a big part of it. Not only have the Hoosiers scored 30 or more points in five consecutive games, they lead the Big Ten in passing yards (312.8), sacks allowed (1.38) and completions (212). They're second in the league in total yards (450.5) and completion percentage (69.7). They're third in TD passes and fourth in third-down conversion percentage (47.7).



# Iraqis defy crackdown to hold biggest protests yet

BY QASSIM ABDUL-ZAHRA and JOSEPH KRAUSS

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BAGHDAD — Tens of thousands of Iraqis massed in Baghdad’s Tahrir Square on Friday in the biggest demonstrations since anti-government protests erupted a month ago, defying security forces that have killed scores of people and harshly criticizing Iran’s involvement in the country’s affairs.

The square and the wide boulevards leading into it were packed with flag-waving protesters, as security forces reinforced barricades on two bridges leading to the heavily-fortified Green Zone, the seat of government. The protesters want sweeping change to the political system established after the 2003 U.S.-led invasion, which they blame for widespread corruption, high unemployment and poor public services.

At least 255 people have been killed in two major waves of protests in the past month, including five who died Friday of wounds sustained earlier, according to security and medical officials who spoke on condition of anonymity because they are not authorized to brief reporters. At least 350 people were wounded Friday as security forces fired tear gas grenades and rubber bullets to drive people back from the bridges.

Many protesters directed their rage at Iran, which emerged as a major power broker after the overthrow of Saddam Hussein and has close ties to powerful political parties and state-backed militias that were mobilized to battle the Islamic State group but have now become an imposing political faction.

Videos circulated online of a group of protesters holding a poster showing Iran’s

Supreme Leader Ayatollah Ali Khamenei and the head of its elite Quds force, Gen. Qassim Soleimani, with their faces crossed out. The video, which showed protesters beating the poster with their shoes, appeared to have been filmed Thursday in Tahrir Square. On Friday, protesters marched over an Iranian flag painted on the pavement with a swastika added to it.

This month’s protests in Iraq and similar demonstrations in Lebanon are fueled by local grievances and mainly directed at the political elite, but they also pose a challenge to Iran, which closely backs both governments. An increasingly violent crackdown in Iraq has raised fears of a backlash by Iran and its heavily armed local allies.

On Friday, a group of about 50 militia supporters showed up at the protest, prompting other demonstrators to chant: “Iran take your hands off, the people don’t want you!”

The militias, known as the Popular Mobilization Forces, said in a statement that they stood with the protesters and were committed to protecting them. But the statement warned of “foreign interests” that it said wanted to sow division in order to cause “internal fighting, chaos and destruction.”

The remarks echoed those made by Khamenei and the Iran-backed Hezbollah militant group in Lebanon, which has accused unidentified foreign powers of manipulating the protests.

Iraq’s influential Shiite clerical establishment, which is seen as politically independent, condemned “attacks on peaceful protesters and all forms of unjustified violence,” saying those responsible should be held accountable.

Shiite cleric Ahmed al-Safi, who delivered a Friday sermon on behalf of the clerical leadership, said authorities should not allow “any person or group or biased entity, or any regional or international party” to impose its view on the Iraqi people – an apparent reference to Iran.

The sermon was delivered in the Shiite holy city of Karbala, where masked men suspected of being linked to the security forces opened fire on protesters earlier this week, killing at least 18 people.

Amnesty International says security forces in Baghdad have fired military-grade tear gas grenades directly into the crowds, causing horrific wounds and occasionally lodging the projectiles in people’s skulls. During an earlier wave of demonstrations, snipers shot protesters in the head and chest, with nearly 150 killed in less than a week.

One protester, Ahmad Fadel, showed up dressed head to toe in sniper camouflage that resembled threshed hay.

“All of Iraq is out today against the regime and the corrupt government and parties,” he said. “I’m wearing this as a form of support to the protesters and a message to the sniper who targets protesters: You will not scare us.”

The protesters have called for the resignation of the government and sweeping changes to the political system established after the U.S. invasion, which apportions power among the Shiite majority and Sunnis and Kurds.

Iraq has held regular elections since then, but they have been dominated by sectarian political parties, many of which are close to Iran. The protests have occurred in Baghdad and mostly Shiite

southern Iraq, and have been directed against the Shiite-led government. In southern Iraq, demonstrators have attacked and set fire to political party offices.

The protesters accuse their rulers of squandering the country’s oil wealth, pointing to its poor infrastructure and frequent power outages more than 15 years after the overthrow of Saddam and the lifting of international sanctions.

“I was born to be respected, among people who should be respected,” said a protester who identified himself as Abu Sajad. “But as far as we are concerned, we have the worst passport in the world and the worst nationality. We are the No. 1 country when it comes to corruption. We have the second or fourth largest oil reserves but we are a poor nation.”

President Barham Salih said Thursday he would approve early elections once a new electoral law is drafted, expressing support for the protesters but saying reforms would have to be enacted through constitutional means. He said Prime Minister Adel Abdul-Mahdi is willing to resign once political leaders agree on a replacement.

But the process of forming a new government could take weeks or even months, and a Cabinet reshuffle seems unlikely to satisfy the protesters.

Thousands also gathered in the main square of Najaf, another Shiite holy city, late Thursday. Groups of men danced and waved Iraqi flags, while volunteers handed out falafel sandwiches cooked on site.

“This is a great revolution,” said Marwa Ahmed, one of several women in the rally. “We will not give up or back down until our demands are met.”

# Failed mission raises doubts about Mexican security strategy

BY CHRISTOPHER SHERMAN

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MEXICO CITY — A sloppy operation that failed to nab Joaquín “El Chapo” Guzmán’s son followed by days of changing explanations has revealed not so much that Mexico’s government has a failing security strategy, but no real strategy at all, experts say.

President Andrés Manuel López Obrador and his security Cabinet have defined their strategy thus far by stating what it is not, according to experts, saying that Mexico is no longer waging a war on drugs or seeking to capture or kill cartel kingpins, like previous governments did.

But these words were apparently contradicted by the bungled Oct. 17 mission to capture Ovidio Guzmán in the western city of Culiacan, the Sinaloa Cartel’s backyard, which aimed to nab a cartel figure and unleashed violence that made the city look like a war zone.

When asked to define what his strategy is to tame Mexico’s sky-high murder rate and deadly drug cartels, López Obrador responds with philosophies more than strategies, often mentioning an assortment of social programs.

On Thursday, López Obrador said his government will not be forced into a drug war, adding that his strategy is something else.

“Nothing has hurt Mexico more than the dishonesty of the governing,” Mexico’s president said, implying corruption was to blame for the country’s insecurity, violence and drug trafficking.

He seemed to lay blame for the Culiacan operation with everyone except the drug traffickers, even lambasting the press for “yellow” journalism.

“This is pacifying the country by convincing, persuading without violence, offering well-being, alternative options, better living conditions, working conditions, strengthening values,” he said.

On the campaign trail he summed this up with the catchy phrase: “abrazos, no balazos,” or “hugs, not bullets.”

But now he’s president, Mexico is on track to record more than 32,000 murders this year and the public just watched 13 people die in the streets of Culiacan while a special army antidrug unit captured and then released a drug lord to avoid further bloodshed.

“He can’t continue with this strategy of peace and love with the criminals and say that there isn’t war,” said Raúl Benítez, a security expert and professor at the National Autonomous University of Mexico. “The criminals are declaring war on the government and the country, the citizens, the people.”

López Obrador also faced questions Thursday about uncharacteristically public grumbling from within the ranks of Mexico’s military. A Mexican newspaper this week published a speech by Gen. Carlos Gaytán to other military officers after the Culiacan debacle, which has followed a series of cartel attacks on Mexican security forces.

The retreat in the face of cartel gunmen reinforced the impression that the government has long ago relinquished effective control of whole towns, cities and regions to the drug cartels.

“We’re worried about today’s Mexico,” Gaytán said. “We feel aggrieved as Mexicans and offended as soldiers.”

López Obrador brushed aside any concerns of a schism within military ranks, who he has favored with increased responsibilities and resources.

“I don’t have the slightest distrust of the army,” López Obrador said. “On the con-

trary, I have the support, the loyalty of the army.”

Experts say the climbing homicide numbers and the administration’s inability to communicate a coherent security strategy do not paint an optimistic picture for the remaining five years of López Obrador’s term. So far, he has been able to blame his predecessors for inherited problems, but at some point voters won’t accept that anymore.

“How to marry this ‘humanist’ and ‘progressive’ vision of the president and his government with the undeniable reality and undeniable necessity of containing not just the drug trafficking groups but also the ordinary criminal violence” is the question faced by Mexico’s president, according to Erubiel Tirado, coordinator of the national security, democracy and human rights program at the Iberoamerican University in Mexico City.

The most visible element of a security strategy under López Obrador, though not a strategy in itself, was the creation of the National Guard. The new fighting force was supposed to fill the security void created by corrupt, disbanded or outmatched police forces around the country and to an extent lessen the country’s dependence on the use of the military for domestic policing.

A large portion of the guard, however, was immediately detoured to immigration enforcement duties under pressure from the United States.

“They’re not a police force that is professionalized, that is trained in conducting investigations, surveillance, intelligence and that have special teams to conduct arrest operations in a finer way, not through confrontations in the streets,” said Tony Payan, director of the Center for the United States and Mexico at Rice University’s Baker Institute for Public Policy in Houston.

It also remains unclear how the National Guard fits with the social programs that López Obrador says will attack the root causes of crime in Mexico.

“There doesn’t seem to be any kind of holistic or integrated thinking about how you link violence-prevention programs, which the government talks a lot about, with actually prosecuting organized crime,” said Duncan Wood, director of the Wilson Center’s Mexico Institute.

López Obrador also says little about strengthening Mexico’s justice system, which is a key component of reining in the country’s security problems.

The lack of a clear strategy worries not only Mexicans, but their neighbors to the north.

In October, Payan visited with personnel at the U.S. Embassy in Mexico City who expressed concern.

“They clearly said that they were waiting for the (López Obrador) administration to have a clear strategy and to communicate to them what the administration intends to do and how they intend to do it,” Payan said.

The U.S. has enjoyed varying levels of cooperation from recent Mexican administrations in prosecuting the drug war, but has been struggling to find the channels for that cooperation under López Obrador.

“The sense that I have from my conversations is that the López Obrador administration considers these American agencies as part of a war on drugs that he wants to put behind him,” Payan said.

In the case of Ovidio Guzmán, the U.S. has requested his arrest for extradition.

On Thursday, López Obrador, responding to speculation the U.S. government had pressured Mexico to act, said flatly: “We do not take orders from Washington.”

# Joint Turkish and Russian patrols begin in Syrian region

BY MEHMET GUZEL

Associated Press

SEVIMLI, Turkey — Turkey and Russia launched joint patrols Friday in northeastern Syria, under a deal that halted a Turkish offensive against Syrian Kurdish fighters who were forced to withdraw from the border area following Ankara’s incursion.

The Turkish Defense Ministry said an initial patrol covered an area 54 miles long and 6 miles deep in the al-Darbasiyah region, assisted by drones. “The first joint patrol was completed as planned,” the statement said.

The Russian Defense Ministry said the joint patrol included nine military vehicles, including a Russian armored personnel carrier.

Turkey and Russia have agreed the patrols would cover two sections, in the

west and east of Turkey’s operation zone in Syria. Turkish troops and allied Syrian opposition fighters now control the border towns of Tal Abyad, Ras al-Ayn and nearby villages. The deal on the patrols excludes the city of Qamishli, according to the ministry’s statement on Tuesday.

The first joint patrol did not fly Russian and Turkish flags on their armored vehicles Friday but once the patrol was completed, Russian flags were seen. An Associated Press journalist at the Turkey-Syria border could see the Syrian flag hoisted on a building on the Syrian side. Syrian government troops moved into Kurdish-held areas following an agreement in October.

Turkey last month invaded northeastern Syria to push out Syrian Kurdish fighters, who it considers terrorists

for their links to a Kurdish insurgency inside Turkey.

But the U.S. had partnered with the Syrian Kurdish fighters, their top allies in the war against the Islamic State group. The relationship has strained ties between Washington and Ankara who are NATO allies.

After an abrupt and widely criticized decision by President Donald Trump to withdraw American troops from this part of Syria, the Kurdish forces approached the Syrian government and Russia for protection. Syrian government troops and Russian military police subsequently moved into areas along the border.

Two cease-fire agreements brokered by the U.S. and Russia paused Turkey’s operation to allow the Syrian Kurdish fighters to withdraw 19 miles from the border.

measures. That explains why the award was less than the sum China had sought.

The decision comes as the United States is fresh off a high-profile WTO award against the European Union over subsidies given to European plane maker Airbus, which has let Washington slap tariffs on \$7.5 billion worth of EU goods including Italian cheese, Scottish whiskey and olives from Spain.

That was a record award from a WTO arbitrator in the trade body’s nearly quarter-century history. The award announced Friday ranks as the third-largest.

In the Chinese anti-dumping ruling, the WTO faulted two techniques that the United States uses to set penalties for dumping. Its so-called “zeroing methodology” – long a problem for the trade

body – involves cherry-picking violators and neglecting law-abiding producers in a way that lets U.S. officials artificially inflate the penalties imposed.

The other technique involves treating multiple Chinese companies of a product as a single entity, in essence penalizing some producers that do not violate anti-dumping rules along with those that do.

While these tariffs are allowed by the WTO under international trade law, the Trump administration has in its disputes with China and other commercial partners exchanged tariffs unilaterally, without any green light from the WTO.

The U.S. and China have filed a number of complaints with the WTO against each others’ tariffs, but dispute resolution can take years.

# Trade body: China can hit U.S. with sanctions worth \$3.6 bln

BY JAMEY KEATEN

Associated Press

GENEVA — The World Trade Organization said Friday that China can impose tariffs on up to \$3.6 billion worth of U.S. goods over the American government’s failure to abide by anti-dumping rules with regard to Chinese products.

The move hands China its first such payout at the WTO at a time when it is engaged in a big dispute with the United States. The two sides have recently imposed tariffs on hundreds of billions of dollars’ worth of goods, but did not do so through the WTO, which helps solve trade disputes.

Friday’s announcement from a WTO arbitrator centers on a case with origins long before the current trade standoff: a Chinese complaint filed nearly six years



## Woman’s parents stew over her May-December romance

**DEAR ABBY:** My husband and I have a 22-year-old daughter, “Cara,” who is having a relationship with a 65-year-old man, “Gary.” We do not approve of the relationship.

Gary is going through a divorce, and Cara has moved into his rented condo with him. She just graduated from college. She doesn’t have a job, has no money and drives an old car. She was always a good student and never did anything wrong. She didn’t date much and was a wonderful child. She and Gary have been together for almost six months now.

Cara knows we love her but do not approve of the relationship. She also knows that Gary is not welcome in our home. She sees nothing wrong with their relationship. She doesn’t socialize with her friends as often as she used to. Gary works full-time and also has a job on weekends. We never speak of him when we talk to our daughter. What is going on? What should we do? When will it end? Where is her head? — Nervous In New England

**DEAR NERVOUS:** Your daughter — who didn’t date much — thinks she’s in love with Gary. Because she is emotionally involved, she’s thinking with her heart, not her head. What you need to do is loosen up.

Tell your daughter you and your husband will welcome Gary into your home. And when that happens, get to know him and talk with him about the importance of her getting a job in the field for which she has worked so hard to qualify.

Their relationship will end when she finally tires of living with someone who is old enough to be her grandfather, and who has little time to devote to her because he has financial obligations toward his almost-ex-wife. Cross your fingers and hope she grows impatient soon.

**DEAR ABBY:** At my preschooler’s concert, another parent asked me to hold a seat for her near the front. I draped a sweater over two seats. Shortly after, another family arrived, and the grandfather of another child removed the sweater, claiming the seats for members of his family who were also absent.

Three times I tried to explain that I was holding a seat for a parent with a disability who was having a hard time getting to the auditorium. Each time I was rudely interrupted. The man grabbed me by the shoulder, threatened me and even invited me to settle things outside. He later photographed my wife and children.

Not wanting to be that parent who gets into a fight over a seat at a children’s event, I backed down. Afterward, though, I did file a report with the police. Now I am deciding whether to press charges.

I don’t want to overreact, but I have heard from other parents that this man has a tendency to bully. I have always been bothered by stories about violence at kids’ events and feel this man crossed a line. Should I? — Provoked In The East

**DEAR PROVOKED:** If this man behaved as you described and put his hands on you, then you were physically assaulted. If there were other parents who witnessed it and would be willing to testify if you press charges, go ahead and pursue it. When you do, the bully will be in the system the next time he does it to someone.

**DEAR READERS:** It’s time again to remind you that daylight saving time ends at 2 a.m. Sunday. Don’t forget to turn your clocks back one hour at bedtime tonight. And while you’re at it, remember to change the batteries in your fire alarms and smoke detectors.

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### Dear Abby



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58 Lectern

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63 Say hoarsely

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23 Ernesto Guevara

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#### How to play:

Complete the grid so that every row, column and 3x3 box contains every digit from 1 to 9.

#### PREVIOUS SOLUTION

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### JUMBLE

Unscramble these Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

TRUFI

TCAWH

CEHLEK

LEVNEE

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Yesterday’s

Jumbles: PATIO VIPER FUSION SCRIBE

Answer: The bird didn’t think he’d get caught for the theft and felt that he was — ABOVE SUSPICION

#### THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME

By David L. Hoyt and Jeff Knurek

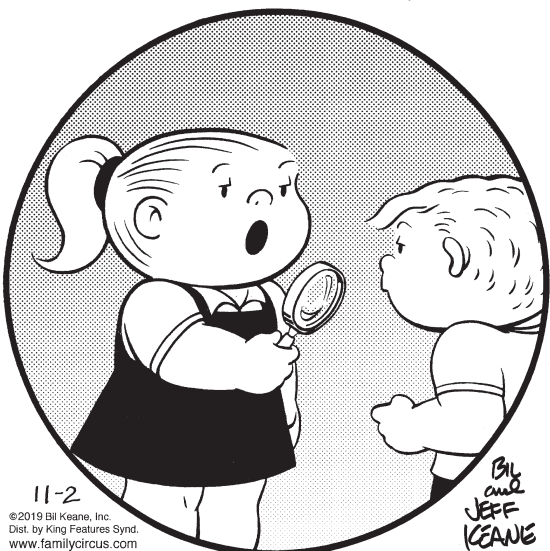


Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

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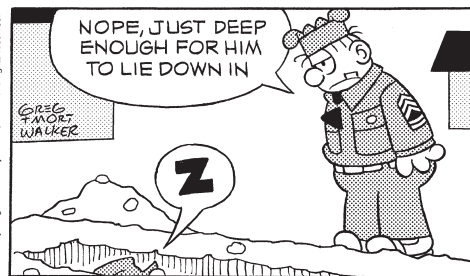
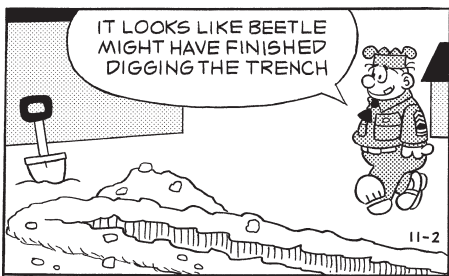
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By Bil Keane

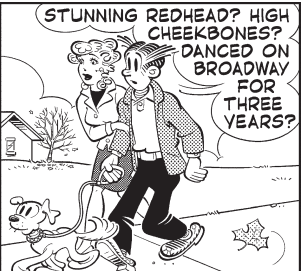
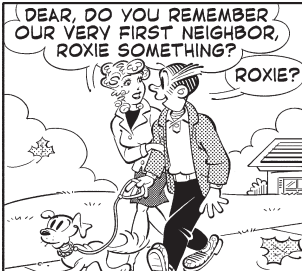


“This can burn things when the sun is out. That’s why it’s called a magnifying glass.”

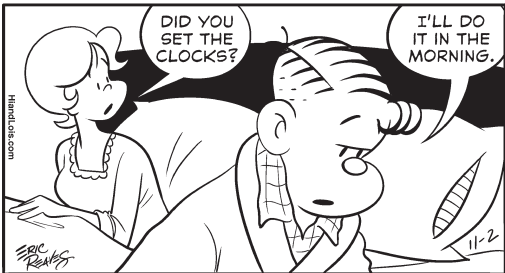
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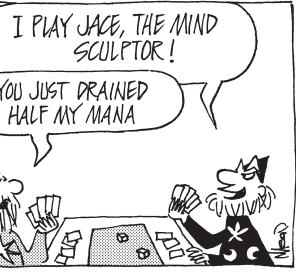
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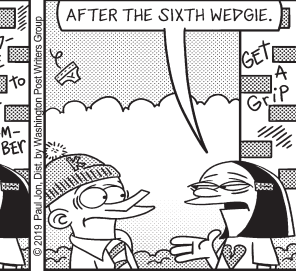
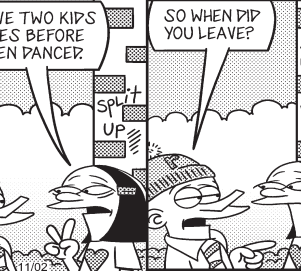
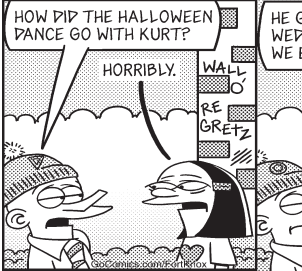
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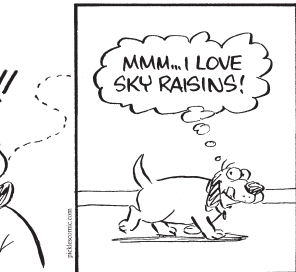
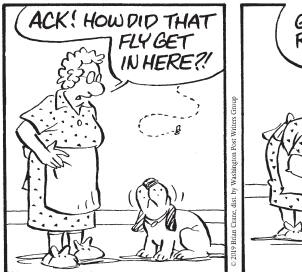
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### FORT KNOX



### PICKLES



## Integrity means outward life is consistent with inner convictions

From the writings of the Rev. Billy Graham

**Q:** My work is rewarding to me, but my employer is asking me to do unethical things that make me uncomfortable. I am wondering if I should look for another job before I get fired for insubordination. What’s the answer? — D.E.

**A:** The Bible says that evil corrupts good morals (1 Corinthians 15:33). The Bible also teaches that purity of conduct includes truthfulness. God’s Word teaches that we should be truthful and never worry about consequences.

When we find ourselves facing compromise we should turn away. In the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus rebuked all hypocritical behavior. We are to be truthful in our business affairs. All misrepresentations of the quality of our merchandise, all false weights and mea-

sures, all padding of expense accounts, all forging of checks and other legal papers, and all unjust alterations of accounts are sins of untruthfulness and indicate lack of purity.

The farmer who puts his spoiled wheat between two layers of good wheat when he takes it to the market and the fruit grower who puts his best fruit on top of the bad, are dishonest. The tourist who misrepresents an article that is subject to duty on entering the country and the taxpayer who does not supply all the required information are dishonest. Being pure in conduct also in-

cludes honesty and integrity in dealing with our fellowmen. A Christian should be known in his or her neighborhood or place of business as an honest person, one who can be trusted and one who will not compromise under any circumstance.

Integrity means our outward life is consistent with our inner convictions based on God’s truth. God blesses the person of integrity. He never directs in a way contrary to His character, and if we choose truthfulness over peer pressure, He will lead us in the right pathway. “He who walks with integrity walks securely” (Proverbs 10:9).

### CELEBRITY CIPHER

by Luis Campos

Celebrity Cipher cryptograms are created from quotations by famous people, past and present. Each letter in the cipher stands for another.

“PJDS AHFIO SVOF AFOHVOU VDO MUOH  
JX ‘DHKKJYOOS,’ EJ DME TMEJMS  
FOBHMSE VDO BJEV XJAZE OU . . . JX  
VDO EOFMOE.” — UJSHKU IKOHEOSAO

Previous Solution: “I found ‘Halloween’ scary — it meant that I had pressure to get up and be scary, makeup and all that!” — Christopher Lloyd

TODAY’S CLUE: P s p e n d e d



